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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S INTERVIEW SUMMARY

In response to the Examiner's Interview Summary dated March 13, 2008, Applicants submit the following Response. This Response is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

Applicants do not believe that extension of time or other fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 502876.

Substance of the Interview

In response to the Interview Summary relating the discussion held between the undersigned and Examiner Niki M. Eloshway on February 27, 2008, Applicants first wish to thank the Examiner for her time and expertise. Applicants note that the cited references was discussed, along with certain claim amendments. Specifically, it was suggested that the limitations of claim 26 be inserted into claim 24, since Yang does not teach a frictional fit. Furthermore, Florian teaches a permanent connection between the walls and barrier, which is different from the claimed invention. Therefore there is a lack of motivation to combine the references. A further suggestion relating to the addition of specific structural limitations from the Figure 13 embodiment was also discussed. A response to the September 10, 2007 non-final Office Action was timely filed on March 7, 2008. For these reasons, Applicants believe that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicants believe this Response fully and completely addresses the Substance of the Examiner's Interview Summary. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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